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The Honorable Frank Foster
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RE: Support for Autonomous Vehicle Legislation SB 169 and SB 663

Dear Mr. Chairman:

On behalf of the Volkswagen Group of America's nearly 450 employees located in Auburn Hills, Michigan, we urge your support for SB 169 and SB 663 (autonomous vehicle legislation), as passed by the Senate.

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These bills will encourage and invite automakers to conduct autonomous vehicle R&D within the State of Michigan. Having the ability to conduct the research in Michigan will enhance the strong and growing industry sector with the latest innovations being developed by automakers.

When considering this legislation, please consider Volkswagen Group of America's many engineers who are researching ways to create safer advancements for drivers everywhere.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of SB 169 and SB 663. I am available if you require additional information.

Sincerely,



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